



Governors' Action Plan
Implementation and Integration Workshop
Hilton Bayfront, St. Petersburg, Florida
July 10 – 12, 2007

Final Agenda

Workshop Goals:

- Highlight first year successes of the Gulf of Mexico Alliance
- Begin discussions on the Alliance after the *Governors' Action Plan*
- Focus attention on high priority actions in the *Governors' Action Plan* where implementation has not advanced
- Host concurrent technical workshops on water quality monitoring parameter standardization, understanding nutrient dynamics and effects, coastal restoration, and habitat identification

Monday, July 9

6:00 Welcome Reception at NOAA Fisheries Service's Southeast Regional Office
1st Floor Dolphin Conference Room
263 NOAA Place
St. Petersburg, 33701

Tuesday, July 10

7:30 Registration opens (*Lobby II*)

9:00 Opening Plenary (*Grand Bay Ballroom*)

Special Greeting
The Honorable Rick Baker, Mayor of St. Petersburg

Welcome
Stephanie Bailenson, FDEP
Bill Walker, MDMR
Trudy Fisher, MDEQ

Tuesday, July 10 continued

- 9:15 Review of First Year Successes
 Water Quality, *Steve Wolfe, FDEP*
 Coastal Restoration, *Karen Gautreaux, LDEQ*
 Environmental Education, *Phillip Hinesley, ADCNR and Lee Yokel, DISL*
 Habitat Identification, *Bruce Moulton, TCEQ*
 Nutrient Reduction, *Trudy Fisher, MDEQ*
- 10:15 Vision for the Future of the Gulf of Mexico Alliance
 Bill Walker, MDMR
 Trudy Fisher, MDEQ
- 10:35 Mexican Engagement in the Gulf of Mexico Alliance
 Gobierno del Estado de Veracruz – Gobierno Fidel Herrera Beltran
 Secretaria de Finanzas y Planeacion
 Coordinación Ejecutiva del Copladever
 Rafael Arias Hernandez
- 10:55 Federal and Regional Support for the Gulf of Mexico Alliance
 Bryon Griffith, GMP and Margaret Davidson, NOAA
 Teresa Fryberger, NASA (invited)
 Ann Jochens, GCOOS
 Rob Magnien, NOAA, Gulf Hypoxia Task Force
 Buck Sutter, NOAA, NOAA's Regional Collaboration Initiative
- 11:25 Plenary Panel
 Regional Tools for Coastal Managers: A discussion of an integrated capability
 of the Priority Habitat Identification System (PHINS), the Geospatial
 Assessment of Marine Ecosystems (GAME), and Gulf of Mexico Regional
 Collaborative (GoMRC)
 USGS, USACE, NOAA, Battelle
- 11:55 Charge to the Priority Issue Teams
 Bruce Moulton, TCEQ
 Karen Gautreaux, LDEQ
- 12:00 Lunch
 (on your own)

Tuesday, July 10 continued

All participants reconvene by Priority Issue Team ...

- 1:15 Priority Issue Team Working Sessions: Completing the *Governors' Action Plan*
- Water Quality (*Demens*)
 - Coastal Restoration (*St. Petersburg I*)
 - Environmental Education (*Bayboro*)
 - Habitat Identification (*St. Petersburg III*)
 - Nutrient Reduction (*Williams*)

Concurrent Session

- 1:15 Coastal Community Resiliency Working Group Meeting (*St. Petersburg II*)
- Introductions
 - Team charge and discuss regional collaboration opportunities
 - Presentations on ongoing Alliance resiliency work
 - Review Governors' Action Plan Action R-2 and discuss additional partnerships
- 5:00 Adjourn

Wednesday, July 11

- 7:30 Registration Opens (*Lobby II*)
- 8:00 Closing Plenary (*Grand Bay Ballroom*)

Priority Issue Team Report Outs: Completing the *Governors' Action Plan*

- Water Quality
- Nutrient Reduction
- Environmental Education
- Habitat Identification
- Coastal Restoration
- Coastal Community Resiliency

Suggested Presentation Structure:

- Overview of what's been done and what remains to be done
- Overview of implementation plans for high priority Action Blueprint Steps
- 5 minutes dedicated to questions and discussion

- 9:40 Closing Remarks
Bill Walker, MDMR
Stephanie Bailenson, FDEP
Bryon Griffith, GMP
Margaret Davidson, NOAA

- 10:00 Closing Plenary Adjourns

Wednesday, July 11 continued

Concurrent Technical Workshops

10:30 am – 5:00 pm

Monitoring Parameters Standardization Workshop (*Demens*)

10:30 am – 5:00 pm

Habitat Identification / PHINS Working Session (*St. Petersburg III*)

10:30 am – 3:30 pm

Joint Regional Restoration Coordination Team and Coastal Community Resiliency Working Group (*St. Petersburg I and II*)

3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Regional Restoration Coordination Team Sediment Management Master Plan Session (*St. Petersburg I and II*)

Thursday, July 12

Concurrent Technical Workshops continued

8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Understanding Nutrient Dynamics and Effects in Gulf of Mexico Coastal Ecosystems Workshop (*St. Petersburg II*)

8:00 am - 11:00 am

Regional Restoration Coordination Team Workshop (*St. Petersburg III*)